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Mr. George LeVines
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Re: Public Information Request

Dear Mr. LeVines:

I received your public information request regarding "any lists, databases and inventory rosters containing equipment used in the field of duty (i.e., firearms, protective gear, surveillance equipment, tactical and defense equipment, vehicles, etc)" on 15 MAY 2013.

Pursuant to The Exemptions to the Public Records Law (MA General Law CH 4, SEC 7(26) (b)) we regret to inform you that we are unable to fulfill your request as it relates solely to the internal practices of the Shrewsbury Police Department. We are of the opinion that the proper performance of necessary government functions will be inhibited by such a disclosure. We further feel that it would be irresponsible of this agency to disclose the requested information as it has the potential to pose a negative impact upon our Officers' safety.

I am sorry that we are unable to fulfill your request but please feel free to contact me if you feel the need to discuss the matter further or have additional questions. I can be reached by email at jlonchiad@pd.ci.shrewsbury.ma.us or at (508) 841-8485.

Respectfully,

JAMES J. LONCHIADIS
LIEUTENANT
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